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Esther Mariah Davies, was the second wife of Nymphas Coridon Murdock. When a child, her father owned a sugar bush. They made syrup and brown sugar.

They later came to Nauvoo. Her father taught school and was a wheelwright by trade. Brigham Young had him stay in Nauvoo to help make wheels and wagons. Her mother died on the way to Salt Lake.

In Salt Lake she later worked as a milliner. They always divided food with others and Brigham Young promised her father that neither they, nor their childrens' children should ever want for bread.

She married Nymphus Coridon Murdock in Salt Lake Endowment House December 6, 1857. They were allotted land by Brigham Young where the Newhouse Hotel stands. They built a two-story adobe home there.

She was the mother of nine children.

She always found time to help others. In the summer she and her children used to take the dairy cows up to the big spring in Deckers Canyon. She made wonderful butter and cheese. She was president of the Young Women's Mutual for some time. She and others often sat under the Dry Creek bridge patting their babies all night to keep them from crying for fear of Indians.

She was truly a noble mother and pioneer.

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as hard for himself he could be well off. He returned home, bought a small farm and started to work for himself. He built a small home on the farm and on Dec. 15, 1897 he married Caroline Steadman in the Salt Lake Temple.

In 1904 he started in the creamery business and still continued to farm. He overworked causing the bone infection to return in his leg, but he continued to go around on crutches, even going to school the winter of 1908-09. The pain became so severe that he went to the hospital in September 1909 and was operated on, but still had to go on crutches. He couldn't work so he sold the creamery in December 1910.

In November 1910 he bought a home in Charleston so it would be easier to get the children to school as there was no transportation to school. Here he farmed and operated a dairy with the help of the small children, since he was still on crutches.

In the fall of 1915 he again went in the creamery business for about two years. He again sold the creamery and bought the Charleston Co-op in September 1917 which he operated until he built a new store building in 1922, called the North Mercantile Co., which he operated up until the time of his death.

In 1927 his wife died. They were the parents of five children: Nellie North Farnsworth, Alta North Johnson Childs, Amber North Lefler Mahoney, Mill H. North and Almeda North who died at seven months of age.

William H. North died Aug. 31, 1935, at his home in Charleston. P1033